

**WAY TO SUCCESS MODEL QUESTION PAPER – 1**

**(NEW QUESTION PATTERN)**

**XI - ENGLISH**

Time allowed:2.30

Maximum marks: 90

**Instructions:**

1. Check the question paper for fairness of printing.
2. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the hall supervisor immediately.
3. Use black or blue ink to write, and pencil to draw diagrams.

**PART –I**

**i) Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the underlined lexical items in each of the following sentences. 20x1=20**

1. Some birds **perched** on her leg.  
 a) sang                                      b) sat                                      c) flew                                      d) twittered
2. ....do such small **prosaic** things as take the ball.  
 a) dull                                      b) creative                                      c) imagination                                      d) thinking
3. Women **endowed** with the spirit of service.  
 a) unendow                                      b) resisted                                      c) refused                                      d) gifted

**ii) Choose the most appropriate Antonyms of the underlined lexical items in each of the following sentences.**

4. I cherished the **moist** imprint at the last sign of physical contact.  
 a) marshy                                      b) slimy                                      c) arid                                      d) sultry
5. I ate enough to **sate** my appetite and my palate.  
 a) satisfy                                      b) unsatisfied                                      c) glorify                                      d) quench
6. So I pulled on it and yanked at it, with grunts and frowns and increasing **consternation**.  
 a) concern                                      b) anxiety                                      c) fear                                      d) pleasure

**iii) Choose the most appropriate answer for the following questions.**

7. Choose the word from the options given to form a compound word with “**bee**”.  
 a) hive                                      b) have                                      c) half                                      d) heavier
8. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word “**beatable**”.  
 a) in                                      b) re                                      c) un                                      d) im
9. Choose the expanded form of **EMI**.  
 a) Equally Monthly Installments                                      b) Equated Monthly Installments  
 c) Every Month Installments                                      d) Equated Monthly Investments
10. Choose the clipped form of “**University**”.  
 a) sity                                      b) universe                                      c) city                                      d) varsity
11. Choose the right definition for the given term “**Oology**”.  
 a) study of animals                                      b) study of insects’ eggs  
 c) study of birds’ eggs                                      d) study of fish eggs
12. The match has been **put off** due to rain.  
 a) postponed                                      b) delayed                                      c) proposed                                      d) prolonged
13. Choose the meaning of the idiom “**have cold feet**”.  
 a) feel happy                                      b) feel enthusiasm  
 c) feel nervousness                                      d) feel cowardice

14. Choose the appropriate answer. **My father ..... newspaper everyday.**  
 a) sees                      b) studies                      c) looks                      d) reads
15. Choose the appropriate meaning of the given underlined foreign word.  
**I amused her for perhaps 20 minutes with a scattering of urbane ‘bons mots’.**  
 a) witty remarks              b) angry remarks              c) usual remarks              d) polite remarks
16. Choose the polite alternative word for ‘**slow learners**’.  
 a) late learners              b) late bloomers              c) late readers              d) slow performers
17. Choose the appropriate *semi-modal verb*.  
**When Koushik was a child, he \_\_\_\_\_ play in the street.**  
 a) need                      b) ought to                      c) dare                      d) used to
18. Choose the appropriate *preposition*.  
**They went to their class teacher and discussed\_\_\_\_\_ her.**  
 a) to                      b) by                      c) with                      d) of
19. Choose the appropriate *question tag* to the following sentence.  
**Tell me about your English paper,.....**  
 a) will you?              b) do you?              c) did you?              d) does he?
20. Identify the *pattern* of the following sentence.  
**I presented him a kingly crown thrice.**  
 a) SVCA                      b) SVOA                      c) SVIODOA                      d) SVOAA

### PART –II

**i) Read the given sets of poetic lines and answer the questions that follow. (Answer any 4 out of 6)**

21. ‘*But now they only laugh with their teeth,  
 While their ice-block –cold eyes ...*’ (7x2=14)  
 a) Explain: ice-block-cold eyes.  
 b) Identify the figure of speech used here.
22. *With all my heart I do admire  
 Athletes who sweat for fun or hire*  
 a) Whom does the poet admire?  
 b) For what reason do the athletes sweat?
23. *If this belief from heaven be sent,  
 If such be Nature’s holy plan.*  
 a) What does ‘heaven’ refer to?  
 b) Why does the poet call it ‘holy’?
24. *He’s the bafflement of Scotland Yard, the Flying Squad’s despair:  
 For when they reach the scene of crime – Macavity’s not there!*  
 a) What is ‘Scotland Yard’?  
 b) Pick out the alliterated words.
25. *Our nature it is that whatever we try  
 We do with devotion deep and true*  
 a) Who does ‘we’ refer to?  
 b) How should we carry out our duties?
26. *How some have been depos’d, some slain in war,  
 Some haunted by the ghosts they have deposed,*  
 a) How have some been deposed?  
 b) What does ‘slain’ mean?

**ii) Do as directed. (Answer any 3 out of 4)**

27. Gopi requested Raju to lend him a pen. (*Change into direct speech*)  
 28. Mohammed follows the rules. (*Change into passive voice*)  
 29. The trio met at the station. Varsha left for Madurai. (*Change into a complex sentence*)  
 30. I was sick. I did not go to the party. (*Form a single sentence using the 'If' clause*)

**PART – III****Answer any seven of the following.****(7x3=21)****i) Explain any two of the following with reference to the context. (Any 2 out of 3)**

31. *I have learned to wear my faces*  
*Like dresses- home face*  
 32. *The birds around me hopp'd and play'd,*  
*Their thoughts I cannot measure.*  
 33. *"How can you say to me, I am a king?"*

**ii) Answer any two of the following questions. (Any 2 out of 3)**

34. Why did the grandmother accompany the author to school?  
 35. What are the articles the writer forgets most often?  
 36. How can a graduate give back to his / her society?

**iii) Answer any three of the following. (Any 3 out of 4)**

37. Write a dialogue with at least three utterances between a bank manager and a student who wants to open a bank account.  
 38. Describe the process of making a cup of tea.

**39. Complete the proverb.**

- i) .....is the soul of wit.  
 ii) ..... makes a perfect man.  
 iii) The pen is mightier than the..... (sword, brevity, reading)  
 40. Write an e-mail to a charitable trust requesting for a scholarship.

**PART –IV****Answer the following.****(7x5=35)**

41. The grandmother played a vital role in the author's formative years. Give your own example of how elders have a positive influence on the younger generation. Include examples from the story also. **(OR)**  
 How does Dr.C.N.Annadurai highlight the importance of giving back to the society?

42. How does the poet establish the victory of common sense over ego? **(OR)**

What are the causes for King Richard's grief?

**43. Write a paragraph by developing the following hints.**

A policeman - down the street - checking doors - a man standing- stops to talk - about the childhood friends who agreed to meet - after 20 years - his friend there shows up - how each of them has changed - The criminal - arrested, and the undercover cop says -20 years - change a good man into a criminal.

**(OR)****Write an essay of about 200 words by developing the following hints:**

Stephen Leacock- went to a photo studio-taken photograph-the photographer-unpleasant comments-took long time-Leacock-got angry-The photographer-drooping man-bent-wearing gray suit-Changed photos-Leacock disappointed-wanted-as it was-rejected the photo-waste of time.

**44. Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.**

The Rome 1960 Paralympic Games was a tremendous step in sports for athletes with a physical impairment. The founder of the Paralympics movement, Sir Ludwig Guttmann, and the director of the spinal centre in Rome, Antonia Maglio, started preparations for the games two years ago. It would be called the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual International Stoke Mandeville Games. Now regarded as the Rome 1960 Paralympic Games, the

competition took place for six days following the closing ceremony of the XVII Olympic Games and was supported by the Italian Olympic Committee and the Italian Institute for Disabled Workers.

A total of eight different sports events debuted at the first-ever Paralympic Games, all of which were considered beneficial and suitable for athletes with spinal cord injuries: archery, IPC athletics, dart, snooker, IPC swimming, table tennis, wheelchair-basketball and wheelchair fencing. The opening ceremony on 18 September 1960 garnered a crowd of 5000 spectators, which greeted the wheelchair athletes during their colourful entry into Acqua Acetosa stadium. The Italian Minister for Public Health at the time, officially declared the games open to the world. In the debut of the Paralympic games on the world stage, the host nation Italy finished atop the medal standings, as Great Britain, Germany, Austria and the USA rounded out the top five with stellar performances. The closing ceremony on 25th September was held in the Palazetto Dello in the Olympic village in the presence of Sir Guttman, the patron of the Games. Sir Guttman summed up the Games saying: "The vast majority of competitors and escorts have fully understood the meaning of the Rome Games as a new pattern of reintegration of the paralysed into society, as well as the whole of sport."

**45. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.**

The space age began in 1957 when Russia for the first time put into orbit around the earth the first man-made satellite called Sputnik-I. This unique event took the world by surprise. In 1958, America joined Russia in the space race by launching its first artificial satellite Explorer I. Thereafter flight into space became frequent. With every launch of satellites newer and newer achievements were made. The climax was reached in 1969 when Neil Armstrong of America landed on the moon. He became the first man to do so. The moon was conquered at last. The age long dream of mankind became true. The event was hailed as the most exciting achievement of 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**Questions:**

1. When did the space age begin?
2. Which country launched its artificial satellite in 1958 and what is the name of the satellite?
3. Name the two countries which took part in the space-race.
4. When was the climax reached in space race? How?
5. Which event is hailed as the most exciting achievement of 20<sup>th</sup> century? (OR)

**Read the poem given below and answer the questions that follow.**

<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>NIGHT</b></u></p> <p>The sun descending in the west,  The evening star does shine,  The birds are silent in their nest,  And I must seek for mine,  The moon, like a flower,  In heaven's high bower  With silent delight,  Sits and smiles on the night.</p>	<p><u><b>Questions</b></u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the time referred to here?</li> <li>2. Where does the sun set?</li> <li>3. How is the moon compared in the poem?</li> <li>4. How are the birds?</li> <li>5. What does the poet want?</li> </ol>
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**46. Respond to the given advertisement:**

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(OR)

**Write a paragraph any one of the following.**

1. My hobby
2. Rain water harvesting

**47. Write a dialogue between two friends about what they are going to do in their vacation. (OR) Write a paragraph using the following hints.**

An ant – falls into a river – on the way finds a twig – hold on to it – water everywhere – calls for help – dove hears – picks twig and ant – put on dry land – ant thanks – my duty replies dove – hunter sees – flying dove – aim an arrow about to shoot – ant bites hunter – misses aim – dove flies away – good friend's help.